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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Reed et al.

Application No: 10/630,949

Filed: July 29, 2003

For: VOLTAGE TOLERANT CIRCUIT FOR PROTECTING AN INPUT BUFFER

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Attorney Docket No: ARTCP042

Examiner: NGUYEN, H.

Group Art Unit: 2816

Date: August 19, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously <u>Paid For Extra</u>	Present	SMALL ENTIT	Y	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS		_17	00	X09 = \$	OR	X18 =	\$
INDEP CLAIMS		03	00	X43 = \$	OR	X86 =	\$
[] Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid				\$145		X290	\$
			TOTAL	\$			\$

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a month(s) extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. ARTCP042).

Enclosed is our Check No. in the amount of to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.

If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. ARTCP042). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, the term to respond extends to August 19, 2004. Please enter this amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.